





REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE EXAMINING GROUP 2162

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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System and Method for On-

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Group/Art Unit: 2162

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 11, 2005

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of January 11, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.